

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 69135 Agenda Number 10.

Meeting Date: 4/20/2017 Department: Parks and Recreation

Subject

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20160914-001) to accept and appropriate \$65,000 in grant funds from the Asian American Resource Center, Inc. for salary expenses for a City of Austin grant position to assist with Asian and Asian-American cultural protocols, programming, and marketing at the City of Austin Asian American Resource Center.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$65,000 is available from the Asian American Resource Center, Inc. A city match in the amount of \$37,757 is required and is available in the FY 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to cover the remaining base salary above the total grant award and costs of benefits, contractuals and commodities for this existing grant-funded position.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
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Additional Backup Information

The mission of the City of Austin Asian American Resource Center (Center) is to provide public resources, collaborative and educational programming, and a cultural destination for Austin's Asian and Asian-American community. The Asian American Resource Center, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation formed in 2006, has been a partner with the City in the creation of the Center and continues to support and assist the Center.

The Asian American Resource Center, Inc. awarded a grant to the Parks and Recreation Department to support the hiring and assignment of a grant-funded City employee to work under the guidance of the Asian American Resource Center, Inc. to manage certain activities at the Center that are aligned with the purposes of the Center. These activities include assisting with Asian and Asian-American cultural protocol, programming, and marketing for the Center. The grant-funded employee is an employee of the City during the grant period.

The initial grant period started in April of 2015 and was for 12 months. The Asian American Resource Center, Inc. may continue to provide annual funding of \$65,000 a year for an additional three years after the first year. The

assigned employee, in a grant-funded position, will be provided all due consideration as set forth in the City's Municipal Civil Service Rules. In the event of a City authorized change in the grant-funded employee's base salary during the grant term, the grant award will be adjusted to reflect the change in the base salary and the City match will also be automatically adjusted to reflect any change in the benefits effective as of the date of any such change. The acceptance of the Asian American Resource Center, Inc.'s grant award will support the purpose of the Center.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant or to the funding of these positions. When the grant funds expire, the Parks and Recreation Department's need for the position will be evaluated and the position may be eliminated.